

Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/646,955	CHEN ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 03/28/06.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 19-41 (renumbered as 1-23, respectively).
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____. |
| 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |

DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 19-41 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Regarding claim 19, the claim has been rewritten as an independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim. Therefore, claim 19 is now allowable with the same reason set forth in the previous office action.

Regarding claim 20, the claim has been rewritten as an independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim. Therefore, claim 20 is now allowable with the same reason set forth in the previous office action.

Regarding claim 24, the claim has been rewritten as an independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim. Therefore, claim 24 is now allowable with the same reason set forth in the previous office action.

Regarding claim 33, the claim has been rewritten as an independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim. Therefore, claim 33 is now allowable with the same reason set forth in the previous office action.

Regarding claim 34, the claim has been rewritten as an independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim. Therefore, claim 34 is now allowable with the same reason set forth in the previous office action.

Regarding claim 36, the claim has been rewritten as an independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim. Therefore, claim 36 is now allowable with the same reason set forth in the previous office action.

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Regarding claim 37, the claim has been rewritten as an independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim. Therefore, claim 37 is now allowable with the same reason set forth in the previous office action.

Regarding claim 38, the claim has been rewritten as an independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim. Therefore, claim 38 is now allowable with the same reason set forth in the previous office action.

Regarding claim 39, the claim has been rewritten as an independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim. Therefore, claim 39 is now allowable with the same reason set forth in the previous office action.

Regarding claim 40, the claim has been rewritten as an independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim. Therefore, claim 40 is now allowable with the same reason set forth in the previous office action.

Regarding claim 41, the claim has been rewritten as an independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim. Therefore, claim 41 is now allowable with the same reason set forth in the previous office action.

Claims 21-23 depend on claim 20. Therefore, they are allowable.

Claims 25-32 depend on claim 24. Therefore, they are allowable.

Claim 35 depends on claim 34. Therefore, it is allowable.

2. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to David Q. Nguyen whose telephone number is 571-272-7844.

The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30AM-5:30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, JOSEPH H. FEILD can be reached on (571)272-4090. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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